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B. AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-5

1. (Cancelled)

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5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently amended) A method of automatically setting a home automation system based upon a user's travel plans, the method comprising:
- registering a home automation system with an email computer system, the registration including a network address corresponding to the home automation system;
- storing the home automation system's network address on a storage device accessible from the email computer system, the storing performed in response to the registering;
- scheduling the travel plans using a travel agent computer system;
- ~~receiving~~ receiving the scheduled travel plans ~~on a nonvolatile storage device connected to~~ at the email computer system;
- retrieving the home automation system's network address from the storage location in response to the received travel plan message; and
- sending a home automation message from the email computer system to the home automation system network address,

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the home automation message resulting in an automated response performed by the home automation system. ~~and setting a home automation environment in the home automation system.~~

7. (Currently amended) The method ~~as described in~~ of claim 6 ~~further comprising:~~

~~registering the home automation system with an email system;~~

wherein the sending further comprises sending an electronic message from the email system to the home automation system.

8. (Currently amended) The method ~~as described in~~ of claim 6 ~~wherein the setting further includes comprising:~~

receiving the home automation message at the home automation system;

identifying a home automation command in the home automation message; and

setting a travel home automation environment in response to the ~~message indicating that the user is traveling home~~ automation command.

9. (Currently amended) The method ~~as described in~~ of claim 6 wherein the sending includes transferring the message using a secure transmission protocol.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently amended) An information handling system comprising:

one or more processors;

a memory accessible by the processors;

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a nonvolatile storage device accessible by the processors;
and

a ~~contact notification~~ home automation control tool, the
~~contact notification~~ home automation control tool
including:

means for registering a home automation system with an
email computer system, the registration including
a network address corresponding to the home
automation system;

means for storing the home automation system's network
address on a storage device accessible from the
email computer system, the storing performed in
response to the registering;

means for scheduling the travel plans using a travel
agent computer system;

means for ~~recording~~ receiving the scheduled travel
plans ~~on a nonvolatile storage device connected~~
to at the email computer system; and

means for retrieving the home automation system's
network address from the storage location in
response to the received travel plan message; and

means for sending a home automation message from the
email computer system to the home automation
system network address, the home automation
message resulting in an automated response
performed by the home automation system. ~~to each~~
~~of the contacts in response to the scheduling.~~

12. (Currently amended) The information handling system ~~as~~
~~described in of~~ claim 11 wherein ~~one of the contacts~~

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~~includes a home automation system and the system further~~
~~comprises~~ further comprising:

means for receiving the home automation message at the home
automation system;

means for identifying a home automation command in the home
automation message; and

means for setting a travel home automation environment in
the home automation system in response to the message
home automation command.

13. (Currently amended) The information handling system ~~as~~
~~described in of~~ claim 12 ~~11~~ ~~further comprising:~~
~~means for registering the home automation system with an~~
~~email system;~~

wherein the means for sending further comprises:

means for sending an electronic message from an email
system to the home automation system.

14. (Cancelled)
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16. (Cancelled)
17. (Cancelled)

18. (Currently amended) A computer program product stored on a
computer operable media ~~for notifying contacts,~~ said
computer program product comprising:
means for registering a home automation system with an
email computer system, the registration including a
network address corresponding to the home automation
system;

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means for storing the home automation system's network address on a storage device accessible from the email computer system, the storing performed in response to the registering;

means for scheduling the travel plans using a travel agent computer system;

means for ~~recording~~ receiving the scheduled travel plans ~~on a nonvolatile storage device connected to~~ at the email computer system; and

means for retrieving the home automation system's network address from the storage location in response to the received travel plan message; and

means for sending a home automation message from the email computer system to the home automation system network address, the home automation message resulting in an automated response performed by the home automation system. ~~to each of the contacts in response to the scheduling.~~

19. (Currently amended) The computer program product as ~~described in~~ of claim 18 ~~wherein one of the contacts includes a home automation system and the system further comprises~~ further comprising:

means for receiving the home automation message at the home automation system;

means for identifying a home automation command in the home automation message; and

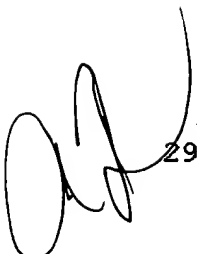
means for setting a travel home automation environment in the home automation system in response to the message home automation command.

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20. (Currently amended) The computer program product ~~as described in of claim 19 18 further comprising,~~
~~means for registering the home automation system with an email system,~~
wherein the means for sending further comprises:
means for sending an electronic message from an email system to the home automation system.
21. (Cancelled)
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25. (New) The computer implemented method of claim 6 further comprising:
authenticating the travel plan message received at the email system, wherein the sending of the home automation message is performed in response to successfully authenticating the travel plan message.
26. (New) The computer implemented method of claim 8 further comprising:
retrieving, at the home automation system, a profile that includes one or more home automation actions, wherein the retrieved profile corresponds to the identified command; and
executing the actions included in the retrieved profile.
27. (New) The computer implemented method of claim 6 further comprising:

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receiving, from a user, a travel request at a travel agent computer system, the travel request including travel details corresponding to a user's travel schedule; creating the travel plan message at the travel agent computer system, the travel plan message based upon the user's travel schedule; and sending the travel plan message from the travel agent computer system to the email system prior to the email system's reception of the travel plan message.

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28. (New) The computer implemented method of claim 27 further comprising:
reading, at the travel agent computer center, a user profile corresponding to the user, wherein the user profile includes an email address corresponding to the email system.
29. (New) The computer implemented method of claim 28 wherein the travel plan message is an email message and the sending further comprises:
transmitting the email message from the travel agent computer system to the email system using the email address corresponding to the email system.
30. (New) The information handling system of claim 11 further wherein the means for sending includes means for transferring the message using a secure transmission protocol.
31. (New) The information handling system of claim 11 further comprising:
means for authenticating the travel plan message received at the email system, wherein the sending of the home

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automation message is performed in response to successfully authenticating the travel plan message.

32. (New) The information handling system of claim 11 further comprising:

means for receiving, from a user, a travel request at a travel agent computer system, the travel request including travel details corresponding to a user's travel schedule;

means for creating the travel plan message at the travel agent computer system, the travel plan message based upon the user's travel schedule;

means for sending the travel plan message from the travel agent computer system to the email system prior to the email system's reception of the travel plan message; and

means for reading, at the travel agent computer center, a user profile corresponding to the user, wherein the user profile includes an email address corresponding to the email system.

33. (New) The information handling system of claim 32 wherein the travel plan message is an email message and the means for sending the travel plan message further comprises:

means for transmitting the email message from the travel agent computer system to the email system using the email address corresponding to the email system.

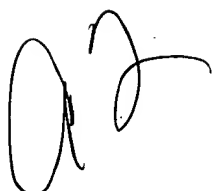
34. (New) The computer program product of claim 18 wherein the means for sending includes means for transferring the message using a secure transmission protocol.

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35. (New) The computer program product of claim 18 further comprising:
means for authenticating the travel plan message received at the email system, wherein the sending of the home automation message is performed in response to successfully authenticating the travel plan message.
36. (New) The computer program product of claim 18 further comprising:
means for receiving, from a user, a travel request at a travel agent computer system, the travel request including travel details corresponding to a user's travel schedule;
means for creating the travel plan message at the travel agent computer system, the travel plan message based upon the user's travel schedule;
means for sending the travel plan message from the travel agent computer system to the email system prior to the email system's reception of the travel plan message;
and
means for reading, at the travel agent computer center, a user profile corresponding to the user, wherein the user profile includes an email address corresponding to the email system.
37. (New) The computer program product of claim 36 wherein the travel plan message is an email message and the means for sending the travel plan message further comprises:
means for transmitting the email message from the travel agent computer system to the email system using the email address corresponding to the email system.

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38. (New) A method comprising:



registering a home automation system with an email system,
the registering including a network address that
corresponds to the home automation system;
receiving, from a user, a travel request at a travel agent
computer system;
creating a travel plan at the travel agent computer system
based upon the travel request;
sending the travel plan from the travel agent computer
system to the email system through a computer network;
receiving the travel plan at the email system;
sending a notification to the home automation system using
the home automation system's network address using the
computer network;
receiving, at the home automation system, the notification
from the email system; and
performing an action at the home automation system, wherein
the action is selected from the group consisting of
activating the home automation system and deactivating
the home automation system.
